

**In the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0005], with the following amended paragraph:

— [0005] Referring to Fig. 1, a gate line 15 is formed on an active region 10 in a longitudinally elongated zigzag shape. A plurality of contact holes 19 are formed between the zigzags of the gate line 15. The contact holes are formed at a constant distance from one another ~~other~~. A portion of the gate line 15, as shown in Fig. 1, is formed over an inactive region, i.e., an element isolation region. Some of the contact holes 19 are also formed on the gate line 15 within the element isolation region. —